

REMARKS

Consideration of this application in view of the above amendments and following remarks is respectfully requested. Claims 1-74 have been cancelled. Claims 75-99 are new.

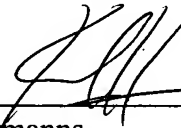
Support for new claims 75-99 may be found throughout the specification and the prior claims. No new matter has been added.

By this Preliminary Amendment, Applicant has amended Figures 24A-24D by replacing the numbers to the right of the figures. However, Applicant would like to point out that identical figures were presented in both of the parent applications (U.S. Patents No. 6,714,303 and No. 6,493,097) and were found acceptable. Therefore Applicant is somewhat puzzled by the objections to Figures 24A-D and would welcome further clarification if the enclosed replacement sheets are deemed inadequate.

Applicant respectfully requests entry of this Preliminary Amendment and consideration of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosure:

2 Sheets of Drawings (Figures 24A-D)

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